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Serial No. 09/641,345

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Title: SEATBACK FOR AUTOMOBILE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56 and 1.97, the documents

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Copies of the documents and a completed Form PTO-1449 are attached herewith. The

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If the Examiner has any questions or wishes to discuss this application, kindly telephone the

undersigned at the below-listed number.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess to

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Respectfully submitted,

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